

Rocket Rumblings

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# Let's make the 10th Anniversary a Success!

By Bill Black

Annual All Oldsmobile Show, plans are well on their way to making this year's show a success. I know many club members live very active lives and are unable to help out either before or on the day of the car show. However, there is a way you can add to its success, and that is by soliciting one donation for our Show Booklet. If you solicited an ad last year, would you consider trying to get the same one this year? For the majority of those who contributed to the Show Booklet last year, I have already sent a letter with a copy of their ad. They maybe waiting for you to contact them before deciding if they will contribute again this year.

The donation and receipt forms which have been included with this month's newsletter can be reproduced. I will also have them available at the next club meeting, along with a number of last year's Show Booklets. They make excellent ice breakers when talking to a potential donor. If you need to contact me about any aspect of the Show Booklet, please call me at (203) 457-1459 or email at dragonflyfarm@earthlink.net. **RR** 

### Dates to remember

June 28 - July 2 OCA Nationals, Dallas, Texas

July 6 - Thursday

NEOC Mtg - Riley & Scranton, Glastonbury, CT

July 9 - BSAAC Show

Endicott Estate in Dedham, MA

Aug 3 - Thursday

NEOC Mtg - Bill LaPierre's, Somers, CT

Sept 10 - NEOC 10th Annual All Olds Show New Britain, CT www.NEOLDS.com

**By Dave Richter** 

ey everyone! Glenn Johnson has the NEOC website up and operational again!

Why not dig out some of those fantastic photos just languishing in the deep dark recess of your closets and boxes and send Glenn a few? He's got a Member's Car Page and is looking for cars to feature.

If you happen to have some of those old fashioned paper photos, feel free to send them in to get scanned. Both Dave Richter and Jim Schmitz (along with other members I'm sure) have scanners and are willing to scan them for you.

If you need your photos back, they can be picked up at the next meeting or we can make other arrangements.

Email your photos to <u>glenn@69olds.com</u> or <u>dmr67442@aol.com</u> or <u>jim70442w30@aol.com</u>. *RR* 

### **June Meeting Minutes**

us Kutschker's place out in Canterbury, CT. For those of us with limited garage space, we left a bit jealous. Gus has a VERY nice garage space attached to his great addition which also gives him a perfect opportunity to take advantage of the space above for his office and entertainment room!

President Minore started out with the news that the Shriner's can't make it this year. The biggest issue this presents is for the food. Other options were suggested and will be looked into prior to the next meeting.

Glenn Johnson indicated that he is looking for photos and

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### June Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

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tidbits to post on the website. When you are unsure of a meeting location, take a peek at the website, ,Glenn is going to start posting meeting directions there as well.

The July meeting will be at Earl's (Riley & Scranton's) in Glastonbury, CT on Thursday July 6th at 7 PM. The August meeting will be at Bill LaPierre's and the September meeting will hopefully be at Schaller's.

Sorry for the short minutes, ran out of room in this issue! **RR** 

### Harry

**By Glen Morris** 

arry and I first met about 15 years ago. I was on a special assignment training bargaining unit employees on the virtues of "team work". Harry introduced himself in one of my classes as a "Mopar Nut". I attempted to foster an automotive bond with Harry, as I was an Oldsmobile nut. I quickly discovered that bonding with Harry was easy as long as I used Mopars for glue.

Harry and I were re-acquainted about 5 years ago when I transferred into his work area. His love of Mopars was even more apparent now that we worked together. And I still loved my Oldsmobiles. The automotive bond was now formed and so was our friendship.

We spent many hours ribbing each other about our choice in automobiles. We both won our share of trophies and accolades at many car shows, but Harry was still the obvious winner.

I tried several years to get Harry to participate in our biannual track rental at Lebanon Valley Dragway. He always

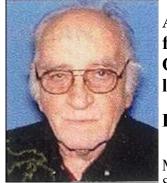
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### Oldsmobile Loses a Legend

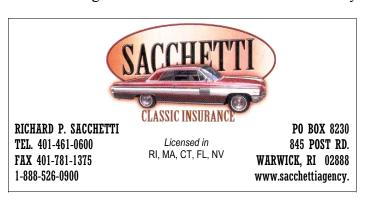


A sad day for Oldsmobile fans. Dale Smith, Oldsmobile performance legend passes.

#### D. Dale Smith

Mr. Dale Smith, Harrison, MI, 85, passed away Thursday,

June 15, 2006 at home. Dale was born May 28, 1921 in Greenville, TX, the son of Garnet and Nell (Dulaney) Smith. Dale was united in marriage to Betty Wilder. Dale had a Bachelor of Science Degree from Michigan State University. He was formerly employed as a machinist at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, CN. Dale attended the University of Hawaii for two years and Michigan State University for another two years. He graduated as a Mechanical Engineer. Mr. Smith was a member of Gi Tour Signs. After he graduated he briefly worked for Rio Motors then went over to Oldsmobile. There he worked on the Hurst Olds, he was Senior Project Engineer. Dale was very active in the automotive racing program, working with Joe Mondello, Paul Mayo, John Troxell, Bobby and Al Unser. Dale allowed all the Oldsmobile racers to be competitive with all the other G.M. branches. Dale was a great standard in the Oldsmobile industry.



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### 10<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ALL OLDS SHOW

# HELD AT SCHALLER AUTO WORLD 1-55 Veterans Drive, NEW BRITAIN, CT To Benefit the Shriner's Hospital for Children

### **Sunday, September 10, 2006 9AM-3PM**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

| NAME                                                                      |     |
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| ADDRESS                                                                   | -   |
| CITY AND STATE                                                            |     |
| CONTACT PERSON                                                            |     |
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| AMOUNT OF DONATION                                                        |     |
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Please return this completed form, art work and donation (made out to NEOC) to: Bill Black, 134 Great Hill Road, Guilford, CT. 06437. Questions? (203) 457-1459, or email, dragonfly-farm@earthlink.net

Information to appear in the show booklet

Donation: \$100 full page

\$50 half page \$25 quarter page

\$200 inside front and back cover; back cover (call first

for availability)

### **NEW ENGLAND OLDSMOBILE CLUB**

#### PAYMENT RECEIPT

| Donation Amount: \$ | _ |
|---------------------|---|
| Made By:            | _ |
| Date:               |   |

Payment made to the New England Oldsmobile Club in support of the 10<sup>th</sup> annual all Oldsmobile car show and the Shriner's Hospital for Children

#### THANK YOU!!!

### Harry (cont'd)

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refused as he was prepping his customized '68 Dodge for another car show. But this year 2006, would be different.

On May 5<sup>th</sup>, Harry met with us at the drag strip and he and I had the chosen opportunity to race each other. I was no competition for Harry with my stock '69 Oldsmobile vs. Harry's 13 second pro-street Mopar. He beat me hands down. But, what fun we had that day! Harry and I shook hands at the end of the day further strengthening that automotive bond.



Harry vs. Glen @ Lebanon Valley DragWay 5/5/06

On May 25<sup>th</sup>, Harry left work early saying he was going to see the doctor for some tests. We vowed to see each other at the next car show. On May 28<sup>th</sup>, I met Harry at the Hamden Classic Car show. He gave me the "three-cent tour" of his latest Mopar show car, "The Time Machine". I was truly impressed with the ingenuity and workmanship displayed by Harry. He then shared the bad news with me; He had been diagnosed with terminal cancer.

Harry returned to work on May 31<sup>st</sup> determined to continue working. Harry's last chosen day to work was June 15<sup>th</sup>. On June 18<sup>th</sup>, he was admitted to the hospital. On June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2006, Harry passed away. Too quick. He had beaten me again.

When I pass into the life beyond, I will look for a car show. Harry will be there and he will still have more trophies than me!



HARRY, we will miss you.

Your "Olds friend",

Glen

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# New England Olds Club

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10th Annual All Oldsmobile Car Show

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### Sunday September 10, 2006 9am-3pm

(Rain Date: Sunday September 17)

Presented by:

The New England Olds Club & Schaller Auto World

Held at:

Schaller Auto World - Body Shop 1-55 Veterans Drive, New Britain, CT

- \* dash plaques to the first 125 cars (incl. all pre-registered)
- ★ Trophies in 17 classes (juniors and Seniors)
- ★ 50/50 raffle

★ food & beverages

★ goodie bags

★ raffle prizes

★ D.J. music

club apparel







#### **CLASSES:**

CLASS #1 - Stock, 1897 – 1963 all models ex F-85 CLASS #2 - Stock, 1964 - 1972 all models ex Toro, Cutlass, 442 CLASS #3 - Stock, 1973 - 1987 all models ex Toro, 442, Hurst CLASS #4 - Stock, 1988 - present all models ex Toro, 442, Hurst CLASS #5 - Stock all Toro CLASS #6 - Stock, 1961 - 1967 Cutlass, F-85 CLASS #7 - Stock, 1964 - 1967 442 CLASS #8 - Stock, 1968 - 1972 Cutlass, F-85 CLASS #9 - Stock, 1968 - 1969 442, W-30, Convertible CLASS #10 - Stock, 1968 - 1969 442, W-30, W-31, Hurst, Hardtop CLASS #11 - Stock, 1970 - 1972 442, W-30, Hurst, SX, Convertible CLASS #12 - Stock, 1970 - 1972 442, W-30, W-31, Hurst, Rallve, SX, Hardtop CLASS #13 - Stock, 1973 - 1987 442, Hurst CLASS #14 - Modified, through 1969 CLASS #15 - Modified, 1970 - present CLASS #16 & 17 - Seniors - Stock & Modified (all cars that have won a first place trophy in our previous 2 shows) **REGISTRATION: \$15.00** Please send entry form and The New England Oldsmobile Club Make checks payable to: 372 Batchelor St., Granby, MA 01033 For show information call: Bruce Plourde 860-826-2030 Days or 860-621-4714 Evenings Olds Rain Date Hotline (Day before & of the show) 413-530-9391 DMR67442@aol.com or, BJP442@yahoo.com Or email: Info via the internet: www.neolds.com \_\_\_\_\_ Cut Here 2006 REGISTRATION FORM Name: Telephone #: City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_ Email Address: CLASS# Year of Car: \_\_\_\_\_ License Plate \_\_\_\_\_ Color:

In consideration of the right to participate: Entrants / Participants, by execution of this entry form, release and discharge The Oldsmobile Club of America / The New England Oldsmobile Club / Schaller Auto World from all known and unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgment or claims from what so ever.

| DATE: | SIGNATURE: |
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### **Directions To The Next Meeting**

The **July meeting** will be on **Thursday July 6th** and will be hosted by Earl Bancroft at Riley & Scranton Service Center in Glastonbury, CT.

#### Riley & Scranton Service Center Glastonbury, CT 860-633-3669

#### From north and south on Interstate 91:

Take "Glastonbury/Putnam Bridge" Route 3 exit off of I 91 just south of Hartford.

Cross the bridge and bear right onto Route 2 East.

Take the Hebron Avenue exit. Turn right at end of ramp onto Hebron Avenue.

Turn right onto Main St. when Hebron avenue ends at stop sign.

Take immediate left onto Welles St.

Riley & Scranton Service center is on the left.

The **August meeting** will be on **Thursday March 2nd** and will be hosted by Bill LaPierre at 27 Heather Lane, in beautiful Somers, CT. **860-763-3134** 

#### **Directions:**

From I-91 North or South - take Exit 47E and follow Hazard Ave. (SR-190) East for almost 5 miles.

Make a right onto Maple Street for 1/4 mile

Bear left onto Pinney Rd. for another 1/4 mile

Then bear left onto Billings Rd.

Go to the second Somers Hill Circle and take a left (either way will get you there, but this is the most direct route!) Take the first right which is Heather Lane. Follow it to #27!

### **Rocket Classifieds**

Club members are entitled to ONE free ad per issue. Please submit ads by the 15th of the month. Written submissions are preferred.

Note: ads only run for 1 month, please renew monthly.

#### To submit a classified ad:

Email: Jim70442w30@aol.com

Snail mail: Jim Schmitz 860-379-5221

24 Pioneer Dr.

New Hartford, CT 06057

#### For Sale:

Front bench seat, no armrest, and rear seat from 1966 Olds F-85 Club Coupe, needs reupholstering, B/O. 1988 Ford Crown Victoria, 4 door, 351 Cu In V-8, \$400. Gene Horn @ 860-742-6806 or <u>brainbeau66@aol.com</u>

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1967 442 and Cutlass Supreme front fender extension (NOS) Trunk floor mat, 442 turbo trans w/switch pitch (rebuilt), 1987 Cutlass Salon front & rear bumpers, factory mags with honeycomb pattern, Rallye dash plus printed circuit board for same.

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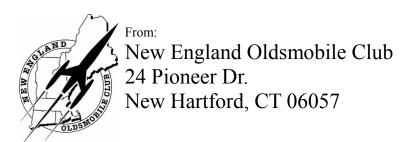
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